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Two Charged with Murder of Man Struck By Car

Two men were charged today with killing a man that was fatally struck by a car after they allegedly assaulted him, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Kyle Michael Mangubat (dob 9/30/97) of Pico Rivera and Anthony Edward Varela (dob 9/25/98) of Montebello face one count of murder in case VA151785.

Arraignment was scheduled today but continued to Sept. 27 in Department 3 of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Bellflower Branch.

On Sept. 18, the two men allegedly got into an altercation with victim Ricky Fernando Muñoz, 21, at a bar in the 11900 block of Telegraph Road in Santa Fe Springs, prosecutors said. The two defendants reportedly chased him into the street where they assaulted him and left him on the road where he was struck and killed by a passing vehicle, prosecutors added.

If convicted as charged, Mangubat and Varela face a possible maximum sentence of 15 years to life in state prison. Bail is scheduled at \$2 million for both defendants.

The case remains under investigation by the Whittier Police Department.

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